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AN OLD BAYAN MAN WRITES BACK HOME

Was Distressed at the News of the
Flood and Sympathizes With His
Old Friends and Neighbors.

Leonard, Tex., Dec. 23, 1913.

Editor Bryan Eagle:

Mr. Editor—Forty-four years ago this month I landed in Bryan and for several years it was my home in the town and vicinity. I never see the name in print that I do not read it with interest. I rejoice in the prosperity of the town and sorrow with its calamities. I found the enclosed incident in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and I presume it is true and I am sending you the lines it provoked me to write. It may be that you would be pleased to print the words, which possibly might cheer and comfort some of the sorrowing ones and inspire the young with ambition to do good. However, if you have no room for it, the paper will raise the temperature of your stove, and this is not bad on a cold day.

Wishing you and all the sufferers a merry Christmas, I am, cordially yours,
J. W. PEARSON.

The Story of "Cotton" Jones.

The country around Bryan and Hearne was hardest hit. Sixty lives were lost there and more hardships were endured. Ten thousand persons were made homeless within a radius of twenty miles. It was here that some of the most daring rescues were effected. Many of them will never be known. It was here that Henry Martin, general manager of the I. & G. N. Railroad, lost his life while attempting to rescue marooned victims.

"Cotton" Jones was the hero of Bryan. He was unknown until the big day of the flood.

"Cotton" was a tramp, 24 years old. Perhaps he is still a tramp, but he is also a hero now, wherever he may be. He won't get a Carnegie medal, but his deed will never be forgotten by hundreds of Texans. "Cotton" Jones went from Houston with a rescue party. He thought it a good chance to beat his way to another town. But at Bryan, the sight of suffering and death gave him other things to think about and aroused his manhood. At Wellborn, just below Bryan, Jones threw off his coat, jumped into a skiff when others held back and braved a raging current to reach a marooned party. It was hard, muscle-grinding work, pulling against that rush of waters, but Jones stuck to his job. He made the trip back and forth until he had saved 70 persons, unaided. After that everybody wished to know him.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

"Cotton" Jones was a man of bone; With nerve to do and dare. He left his drink on the river brink, The river's perils to share.

He was only a tramp, but had the stamp
Of a soldier-brave;
A sorry liver, but he rode the river
Seventy souls to save.

Only a bum, but he could do some
What others shrank to do,
He rode the fierce wave, his brothers
To save,
And paddled his own canoe.

We should not forget there's some
good in him yet,
Though the time may never come
To lend him a hand, to help him to stand,
And reach the Father's home.

Oh, "Cotton" Jones, why not go home,
And share a mother's love?
You are her joy, she'd cheer her boy,
With the coolings of a dove.
—J. W. PEARSON.

December 22, 1913.

FIRST METHODIST CHRISTMAS TREE

Under the careful planning and management of Sunday School Superintendent Bethany, the Christmas tree given on Wednesday evening at the First Methodist Church, was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever witnessed in Bryan. The tree, under the skillful touches of the decoration committee, was beautiful and with its great load of gifts from Santa Claus to the children, made every little heart dance when they beheld it. A splendid program of exercises was rendered, and the distribution of gifts by Santa Claus was the crowning event of an evening of pure delight for the army of little children present.

A man may never discover how ignorant he is if he doesn't try to tell his wife how to run the house.

BRYAN AND THE FLOOD

What Bryan Did to Alleviate the Suffering.

(By L. M. Hewitt.)

The Calvert Playune and the Navasota Examiner have had considerable to say about what their towns did not do in relief work, and the former has seen fit to criticize what Bryan's good judgment led it to do in relief work, counteracting the terrible effect of the disastrous flood of December, 1913, and that there may be no mistakes about the reasons, results, territory and motives of the work of Bryan's citizenship, it is well to record the exact facts, as neither of the above quoted authorities seem to be inclined to do so.

Bryan was first to call for motor boats for assistant work, because her people were the first to grasp the real situation. As an evidence of unselfishness in this request for help, when the motors arrived Bryan distributed them, two in lower Brazos and Burleson Counties, three out at Bryan and two at Hearne. When the life saving crews arrived at Hempstead and could come no further than Courtney on the train, the assistant general manager of the railroad, who was handling the transportation for Bryan, asked if the boats should be transferred and sent on up to Bryan and he was told, "Have these boats go into the water at Courtney, and do all needed rescue work from there up the river until relief work is over." This was done, and although Bryan's organization asked for aid and secured these boats, they never came north of Millican, doing most of their work in the vicinity of Navasota under instructions as above from Bryan.

As to what Bryan has claimed to have done, its report in detail was filed with the Central Relief Committee at Houston, Saturday, December 20. No other claims have been made by anyone connected with the organization. The report shows Bryan territory to embrace 80,000 acres from Mumford on the north to Grimes and Washington Counties on the south, excepting about two thirds of the Allen farm section in lower Brazos County. The report shows that 2,300 families were affected by the flood, 1,700 families were temporarily relieved with clothing, bedding and provisions, that in the Bryan territory 921 houses were washed away, carrying household effects and clothing. The report was tabulated from a census taken by eight Bryan men, and the Houston Post said it was the only comprehensive report filed on any territory.

Why was Bryan able to do prompt and effective work? Because Bryan was already organized with systematic machinery to meet any and all emergencies. Bryan had but one thought in its efforts—to alleviate suffering, minimize death and rehabilitate this great valley.

The real relief work in this great territory is only just begun, but Bryan is going right along making its plans for future work and doing the work of today without complaint, because the organization is as a unit.

THE COTTON MARKETS

Cotton of this season's growth has been received at the local warehouses to date as follows:

Lawrence warehouse	8,695
Briek warehouse	6,555
Union warehouse	5,402

Total	20,652
Interurban cotton	2,436
Round (half) bales	860

Grand total	23,948
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Bryan spots, 11 1/4 c. middling basis.

Cotton seed, \$14 per ton.

Future Quotations.

New York—	Open	Close	Yes/day
January	12.00	11.92	11.94
March	12.18	12.19	12.21
May	12.15	12.15	12.16
July	12.15	12.15	12.18

New Orleans—

January	12.19	12.14	12.23
March	12.46	12.43	12.49
May	12.58	12.57	12.61
July	12.64	12.62	12.65

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FOUND

FOUND—One bright bay horse mule, with brand on right shoulder. See John McCulloch or Ed Crenshaw.

LOST

LOST—A sorrel horse; star in forehead; about ten hands high. Finder please return to John Walker, Bryan.

Bryan Power Company

has discontinued its Electrical Supply Department. The local dealers will hereafter supply lamps at list prices. As agents for the General Electric Company the Power Company is arranging to keep on exhibit a full line of cooking and household electric necessities. Selections made therefrom can be ordered through local stores.

JORDAN T. LAWLER,
Manager.

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